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TO-DAY'S CABLES.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

HAYAS REVIEW.

PARIS, November 27.

M. Clemenceau has sent a letter to Herr Lersner, the German delegate, stating that France owes to Germany nothing except the strict execution of the Treaty which ended a mercenary war.

According to German papers Herr Lersner is not due in Paris again and Herr Lersner will act as Chief German Delegate to sign the peace protocol at the earliest moment.

An international Chamber of Commerce has been created by Allied Economic Missions now in the United States. The first meeting will take place in July 20, 1920. The Municipal Council of Paris urges the French Government to create in Paris a world market for sale and purchase of goods on the similar world market existing in New York.

M. Sarraut, the Governor-General of Indo-China will resign. After the King of Roumania proclaiming indissoluble union with the Entente there is no doubt that Roumania is ready to sign the peace with Austria and Bulgaria.

The Chamber of Commerce of Paris has expressed the wish that the French Government should organize a central office of verification and compensation, with its duty to realize officially all payments of debts owed by Germany to French. The formation of an International Confederation of Students' Associations, with Headquarters at Brussels, has been decided upon by a congress of students held at Strasbourg. Germans will not be admitted before they have become members of the League of Nations.

BOW STREET.

THE PARENT OF LONDON'S
POLICE SYSTEM.

The coming sale of the freehold of Bow Street Police Court and station, says the Morning Post, recalls the attention of Londoners to one of their oldest institutions. Bow Street, the thoroughfare, is nearly three hundred years of age. According to Surry it was so called because of its bow-bow shape. For a century it was an abode of the Muses and men of affairs. Harley, Prime Minister, Waller the poet, Wycherly the dramatist, Molineux the actor, Kneller the portrait-painter, Grinling Gibbons the carver, Radcliffe the physician, and, of course, Henry Fielding, novelist and Bow Street Magistrate, were inhabitants who associate it with politics and all the arts. Fashion had already slipped away from it when the Police Court was established there in 1749. That was sixty years, or nearly, before the Metropolitan Police Force came into existence. In that modern sense "police" was first used in the Act of Parliament which in 1787 provided for a constabulary force in Ireland, from which emerged, fifty years later, the Royal Irish Constabulary. Police Courts in the earlier days were known as Public Offices.

ROBIN REDBREASTS.

The Metropolitan Police Force came not a moment too soon, London had outgrown its narrow 18th century boundaries. It is always showing surprising increase. Mr. Ralph Nevill in his Echoes, Old and New, just published, reminds us that when the South Eastern Railway built its hotel at Charing Cross—only half a century ago—a proposal for a second large hotel elsewhere in the Metropolis had been vetoed because "London could not support two such!" Before the establishment of the Metropolitan Police, in 1829, London was pariously protected. The City—then really inhabited by night—was provided with a Watch. Some fifty paid police, supplemented at night by eighty constables chosen from its tradesmen, minimised a little the insecurity of Westminster. Ninety men safeguarded life and property on the Thames. In the remainder of the Metropolitan area there was a decrepit paid Watch, whom citizens, sitting up in turn in the Portugal street Watch house, assisted. The general charge of the entire Metropolitan district lay with the Bow Street Office, earlier the historic "Bow Street Runners," or the "Robin Redbreasts," as they were called from their red waistcoats. The Bow Street Office in 1829 was composed (or was eight years earlier) of exactly 161 men. They were formed of three patrols—Horse, Dis-mounted, and Foot. Like its successor still, the office was responsible to the Home Secretary. Henry Fielding, at Bow Street, was the first paid Magistrate. His stipend came out of the Secret Service Fund, and was small in consideration of the system, to which Fielding refused to be a party, whereby the Justices made a good thing out of fees. The practice is displayed in "A Voyage to Lisbon." A stop was put to it in 1792, at which time came into existence seven Public Offices in addition to Bow Street—six in Mid-diessex and one in Southwark. Thus we have reconstituted, in some cases renamed, but continuing on the same lines—the Bow Street, Westminster, Marylebone, Marlborough Street, Old Street, Clerkenwell, Tower Bridge, and Lambeth Police Courts of to-day. Others, like North London, West London, Greenwich, and Woolwich, have been added to them. "Bow Street," through Fielding, is the parent of them all. The claim has been made for Bow Street that Tom Jones was written

MACAO NOTES.

A concert was held on Nov. 28 at Escola Nova in honour of Lieut. Valdez, Senator for Macao, promoted by the School and the Macao Marine Officers' Guild, of which Lieut. Valdez is the founder.

Mr. C. J. da Silva has again given us pleasure with the beautiful songs and music under his able direction. The Portuguese community of H.K. will have the opportunity of appreciating Mr. Silva's abilities, for he intends to give a show at the Club Lusitano some time at the end of this month in aid of the School.

H. E. the Governor and a few Government officials were present. At the interval, a souvenir was presented to Lieut. Valdez by the Marine Officers' Guild in gratitude of his good work rendered to the Guild.

The dancing announced for Sunday last was enthusiastically welcomed at the Macao Club. A great number of ladies and gentlemen, including H. E. the Governor, were present. It was an all night dance.

Lieut. Travassos Valdez, Senator for Macao, left yesterday for Lisbon to take his post there. The wharf was beautifully decorated with flowers and the Municipal Band was in attendance.

H. E. the Governor and a great number of Govt. Officials and civilians from all ranks were present to bid Lieut. Valdez farewell.

Though the weather was bad, the parade was held yesterday at 3.00 p.m. numbering about 700 soldiers. The Volunteers Band headed the march, followed by sailors, infantry, artillery, volunteers and police. The artillery and sailors carried with them 6 guns, from which, on H. E. the Governor's arrival, a salute of 21 guns was fired. Inspection of the troops by H. E. the Governor with his Committee was then made, followed by the usual march.

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there. That cannot be maintained. Of the immortal work we have not observed that anyone has remarked how we have just seen fulfilled one part of Gibbon's prophecy about it. Tom Jones has survived the crown of the House of Austria, though the Ecceurial still remains.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

SURRENDERED FLEET'S FATE.

PARIS, November 28th.
The Supreme Council has agreed to the principle of breaking up the German warships held by the Allies with exceptions in favour of France and Italy, whose shipyards were compulsorily closed in war-time. Certain ships may be temporarily used before destruction.

The Council has not fixed the final allocation of the percentage and tonnage of the German warships among the different Powers, but has agreed that France and Italy shall each have a minimum of five light-cruisers and ten torpedo-boats.

Each Ally will have a big battleship and one torpedo-boat for experimental purposes. These units will be destroyed within a year after delivery.

WAR CRIMINALS.

LONDON, November 28th.
The Presse de Paris says that it is expected that the Supreme Council will receive more Notes from the German Government in regard to the surrender of the Germans guilty of crimes in war-time and the scuttling of the German warships in the Scapa Flow.

The Attorney-General, replying to a question, stated that the arrangements for the trial of the ex-Kaiser were not complete.

CARRANZA KILLED.

New York, November 28th.
A telegram from San Antonio states that fighting occurred in Mexico City between the Carranza and Obregon factions. It is reported that Carranza was killed.

WAR AGAIN.

BRASIL, November 28th.
Lettland and Germany are officially at war with each other.

THE PEACE TREATY.

LONDON, November 28th.
In a written reply to a question, the Premier states that the date of exchange of ratification of the Peace Treaty is still liable to postponement, owing to the difficulty of completing arrangements with Germany in regard to the administration of the occupied territories.

THE COAL INDUSTRY.

The following is the missing portion of the cable we published yesterday:

LONDON, November 28th.
In the House of Commons, opening the coal debate, the Rt. Hon. W. Bruce moved for the appointment of a Select Committee to enquire into coal control and the position of the coal industry in regard to selling prices, profits, cost of production, and output.

He complained that the Government refused to co-operate with the miners, who were driven to despair at the blunders of the Coal Department. The coal industry was getting into a state of chaos. He attributed the shortage of output to lack of development by owners, and lack of transport.

LATER.
The Rt. Hon. W. Bruce's motion was defeated by 254 votes to 69.

INTERNATIONAL LABOUR CONFERENCE.

WASHINGTON, November 28th.
The French Moderate Labourite, M. Albert Thomas, has been appointed first Director-General of the International Labour Conference.

Mr. Arthur Fontaine becomes permanent Chairman of the governing body of the Conference.

WASHINGTON, November 28th.
The International Labour Conference has adopted a report recommending special legislation for those countries not industrially developed in the establishment of an eight-hour day; it also adopted an agreement regarding the prohibition and regulation of child labour.

ANOTHER SI ORD.

LONDON, Nov. 28.
Montagu's report dated November 27 states: The fresh record in prices, culminating in 76 pence on the 25th, was due to an exceedingly keen demand from China as a result of which the tea exchange commands a high sterling value. Transactions were recorded at much higher rates than the official quotation of 7 1/4. The subsequent fall in prices was due to an announcement that the United States is prepared to supply broken up silver dollars, of which it is believed there will be seventy million ounces available, in exchange for a similar number of gold dollars. This is equivalent to offering silver at 129 cents an ounce compared with the market price of 136 at New York on November 26.

THE AUSTRALIAN FLIGHT.

SINGAPORE, Nov. 28.
The Australian airman Ross Smith, who is competing for the Australian Government's prize for a flight to Australia, arrived at Delhi on November 27.

AMERICAN COAL STRIKE.

WASHINGTON, November 28th.
The Government has decided to seize and work the bituminous mines whose owners will not co-operate in increasing production. Furthermore, the Government will protect the non-striking miners militarily. A 14 per cent. increase of wages will be enforced there.

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mings, ostrich feathers, Gen's silk ties,
etc., etc.Also
Pairs Union Fleece Blankets.
On view from Saturday, the 6th inst.
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Hongkong, December 2, 1919.

INTIMATIONS.

MARINE ENGINEERS' GUILD.
CHINA COAST OFFICERS' GUILD.MEMBERS of the above GUILDS
are informed that a combined
meeting will be held at the GUILD
OFFICES, 10 Des Vaux Road on
THURSDAY, December 4th at 3 p.m.As matters of urgency have to be
decided, every member in river and
outside ships is requested to attend.
Hongkong, December 2, 1919.

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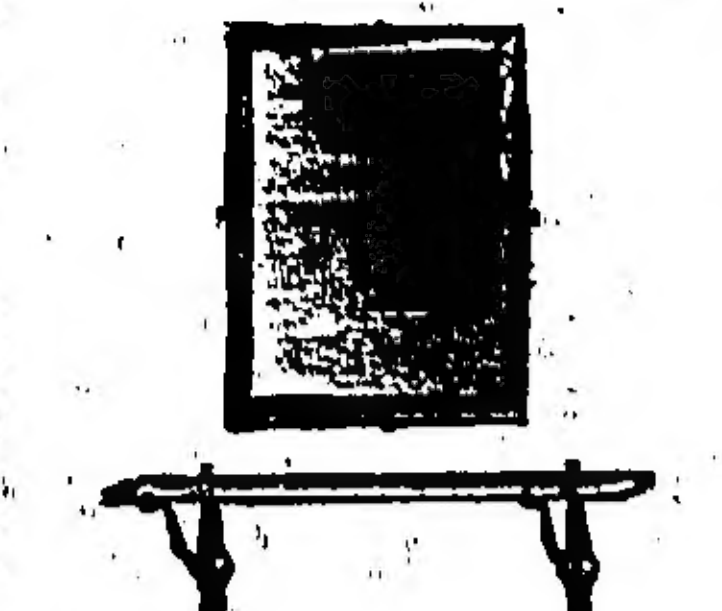
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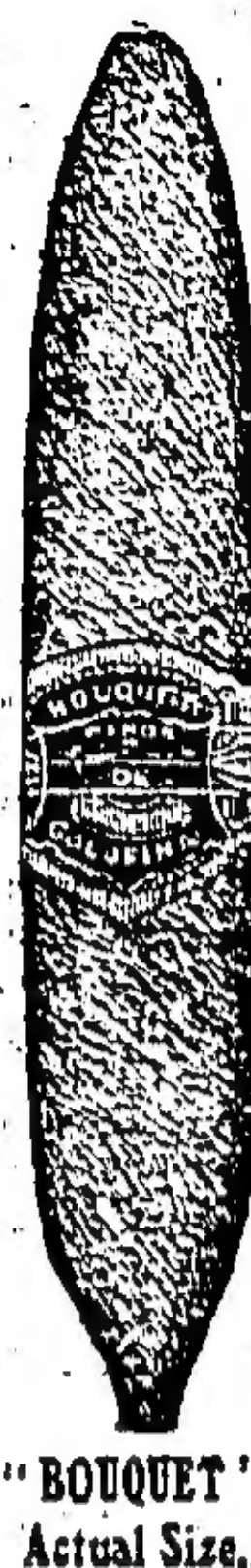
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brightness is independent of the intensity
of the arc-current. There are,
however, divergent observations, not-
ably those of Waidner and Burgess and
of Lummer, according to whom the
brightness may increase with the cur-
rent intensity. This suggestion is con-
firmed by experiments described by
E. Podszus in the *Verhandlungen der
Deutschen Physikalischen Gesell-*
schaft of June last, and it is further
suggested that the temperature of the
crater must be higher than is usually
assumed. The experiments were con-
ducted in the Siemens works and with
pure Siemens carbons. Podszus made
his measurements by two methods—
with a Kurlbaum-Holborn pyrometer,
provided with three reflecting prisms,
and also with a König spectropho-
tometer closed in front by a ground-
glass screen on which he observed the
image of the crater. The arc was
magnetically studied, but it was not
always easy to find the brightest part
of the crater. The diameter of the
carbons varied between 9 mm. and
25 mm., the arc length between 4
mm. and 48 mm., the volts between
14 and 100, and the amperes between
14 to 210. The maximum tempera-
tures deduced ranged from 3,780 deg.
C. to 4,090 deg. C. absolute. Cur-
rents of 150 amperes gave the highest
temperatures, but these maximum
temperatures were at times obtained
with lower current intensities. The
brilliance of the crater was greatest
with the steepest arcs, though some
investigators claim high temperatures
for hissing arcs. Some of the obser-
vations of Podszus are peculiar, and
it is manifest once more that the elec-
tric arc requires a good deal of fur-
ther study. When the crater was
very brilliant, the consumption of car-
bon was very rapid; the positive carbon
seemed really to boil away at the rate
of 10 mm. per minute, and a fine
pointed projection developed in the
crater. It is well known that the con-
sumption of carbons changes with the
atmosphere; the carbons burn away
much faster in an open arc than in an
enclosed arc, although air is not ab-
sent from the enclosed arc, and Pod-
szus observed also a very rapid con-
sumption of his carbons in an indiffer-
ent atmosphere of nitrogen. His ac-
count is not sufficiently detailed, how-
ever, and a previous paper of his, to
which he refers, on steady filament
metallic vapour arcs, is, for some rea-
son, not yet available in this country,
although it was published in the *Zell-*
chrift für Elektrochemie two years
ago; the paper is only known by ab-
stracts. To return to our subject,
Podszus considers that in the ordinary
arc the maximum possible tempera-
ture is only reached at a few points,

U.S. STEEL FOR JAPAN.

Seattle, Wash., U.S.A., Nov.—
Thirty thousand tons of steel material,
representing an expenditure of nearly
\$3,000,000, have been ordered from
the United States Steel Corporation
for shipment through Seattle to the
Orient for the Kawasaki Dockyard
Company, of Kobe, according to
Ichiro Yamada, Seattle representative
of the company.

This vast shipment of steel, prac-
tically all of which will be handled
through Seattle, indicates that the
Kawasaki Dockyard Company plans
to stimulate its post-war shipbuilding
programme. This programme, de-
clared Mr. Yamada, will include the
construction of at least two vessels of
9,000 tonnage every month during the
next year. These vessels will be
built for the account of the steamship
department of the Kawasaki Dockyard
Company, and will undoubtedly be
leased to other companies operating
steamship freight lines to Seattle and
other American ports.

The Kawasaki Dockyard Company
employs 20,000 workmen, and it is
the only Japanese firm to grant the
eight-hour day to its employees," de-
clared Mr. Yamada. "The eight-
hour day was allowed on October 11;
somewhat after the working conditions
and overtime wage allowances exist-
ing in Seattle shipyards. The com-
pany has ordered 30,000 tons of steel
materials, aggregating a cost of about
\$2,700,000, which will be sent to our
Kobe yards through Seattle. About
a thousand tons in this order have
already been dispatched.

The Kawasaki Dockyard Company
had previously contracted with the
United States Government to construct
twelve steel freighters of 9,000 tons
capacity. Seven of these vessels have
already been turned out, while the re-
maining five ships will be delivered to
the United States Government before
the end of the year," said Mr. Yamada.

With Seattle's facilities for handling
trans-Pacific freight, shipping men
declare this port will dispatch this
enormous steel order quickly and
efficiently.

it at all, because there are losses of
heat by conduction and radiation, and
the temperature does not rise above an
equilibrium condition depending upon
the current supply on the one hand
and heat losses on the other. The
arc may, he thinks, be at a higher
temperature than the crater. But it
is really high time that we had some
more definite information about the
arc in various gases and the supposed
boiling of carbon, for which there is
hardly any direct evidence. The car-
bon may simply combine with the
gases of the atmosphere. The prob-
lems are difficult, no doubt, for they
have certainly not been neglected.—
Engineering.

THE CESSION OF
TSINGTAU TO JAPAN.

The port of Tsingtau lies roughly
400 miles by rail from Tientsin, and
about 300 miles by sea, and is
situated at the entrance to the
enormous landlocked bay at Kiao-
chau, the entrance to which is not
more than 12 miles wide. The port
was occupied by Germany in Novem-
ber, 1897, following on the murder
of two German missionaries by a
Chinese mob, and the occupation was
perpetuated shortly afterwards by a
so-called lease for 99 years from
China.

Germany did everything conceiv-
able to develop the occupied terri-
tory, and also to exploit by every
possible means the special rights
acquired at the same time in the
hinterland—the province of Shantung
—with the result that the port of
Tsingtau became a first-class naval
base and, further, a considerable
commercial port, with cargo-handling
and other facilities infinitely superior
to those at the port of Tientsin.

The harbour of Tsingtau is pro-
tected on the north-east and west by
a breakwater, and is sufficiently
large to accommodate the shipping
of the Far East. There is ample
depth of water, and the largest
vessels can come alongside at any
state of the tide all the year round.
The harbour is never closed by ice.
The quayage totals 5,500 ft., of which
600 ft. is privately owned, and there
is thus accommodation for about 12
vessels alongside. Cargo is dis-
charged into and loaded from massive
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from German mines, in the province
of Shantung. At present the trade of
this port is rather more than one-
third that of Tientsin. Of the Tsing-
tau trade, 87 per cent. is in the hands
of Japanese, who have been in occupa-
tion since November, 1914. As usual,
Japan has done everything possible
to develop the place and to attract
Japanese capital to the exclusion of
all other for the development of the
ex-German rights here and in the
hinterland. It will thus be seen that
as far as port facilities go Tientsin is
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mence at 9 P.M.

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Hongkong, November 24, 1919.

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THE SENSATIONS OF FLYING.

The forces on an aeroplane can be measured by a delicate little instrument called an "accelerometer." Although it has a good scientific name it has also the merit of being a very precise instrument which measures the heaviness with which a pilot sits on his seat. During the nose of the aeroplane tends to throw the aviator out, and at the moment at which he loses his seat the instrument reads zero. During a loop it may indicate that instead of a real weight of 10 stone, the pilot's apparent weight is 40 stone. His head is then very heavy on his shoulders, and on the one occasion on which I experienced the sensation my head was distinctly unstable, and an incautious movement brought it forward "out of control."

One record made occupied nearly half an hour in the taking, of which about 20 min. was in the air. The instrument, designed by Dr. Searle, F.R.S., of the R.A.E., was strapped to the knee of an observer, and at intervals the pilot interposed some of the trick evolutions of flying on the more normal course of the flight. The first clear deduction from the record is the uneventfulness of straight flying, especially at good heights. This is shown by the tendency of the record to keep about the value 1, so that the pilot and passenger have their usual weight. Flying low down it was noticed that the changes called "bumps" sometimes reduce a pilot's apparent weight to half its ordinary value, and at other times increase it to nearly one and a half times. The sensations are very like those experienced on a switch-back or mountain railway, and in a well-shodded cockpit this is the only noticeable effect of motion on the sense of feel. The earth, however, becomes far less impressive as the representative of solidity and has its attributes transferred to the aeroplane. So much is this the case that in a loop it is the earth which goes over your head whilst in a banked S turn the waves of a high sea are less wonderful than the swaying of the earth. These impressions are very real, and have a rational basis: we are accustomed to living on the earth and to the use of such instruments as levels that it needs a definite effort to realize that on an aeroplane a level does not indicate the horizontal. On the contrary a level will consistently say horizontal when the aeroplane is banked to 45 deg. or more, and not only does the level say this, but the pilot's sensations of feel tell him he is sitting upright. In the absence of sidestepping the local level is given by the wings of an aeroplane. With an horizon visible a pilot can keep level relative to the earth by the use of his eyes, but this power is removed by immersion in a cloud. By the use of instruments of a not very intricate nature, straight flying can be conducted in a cloud, and fog is not by any means an insuperable bar to aerial navigation.

Leaving the record of ordinary flight and coming to the "stunts" it will be found that on two occasions the pilot was in danger of leaving his seat, and the importance of a belt will be appreciated. Looping and spinning produce heaviness on the whole, the extreme value being nearly three times the normal. A rapid turn almost always increases the apparent weight, and in a mock fight it is very noticeable that the greater number of manoeuvres seat the pilot more solidly, and therefore help in the accurate control of the aeroplane's motion. In a few instances and for a few seconds the apparent weight is zero, whilst the extreme in the other direction is as great as 17 times the normal.—Mr. L. Baird in Engineering.

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Brash, — Ngau Nam 18
Soup, — Tong Yuk 18
Steak, — Ngau Yuk Pa 19
Steak Shloin, — Ngau Lau ... 25
Sausages, — Ngau Cheung ... 25
Sausages, — Ngau No par set 10
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Tongue, fresh, — Ham Ngau Li each 60 cents
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Head, — Ngau Tan ... each 1.00
Heart, — Ngau Sam ... lb. 13
Hump, Salt, — Ngau Kin ... 20
Feet, — Ngau Keuk ... each 10
Kidneys, — Ngau Yia ... 10
Tail, — Ngau Mei ... 13
Liver, — Ngau Koa ... lb. 13
Tripe (undressed), Ngau To lb. 6
Olive's Head and Feet, — Ngau-tai-lau each 21.10
Mutton Chop, — Young Fat Kwai lb. 30
Leg, — Young Fat ... 30
Shoulder, — Young Fat ... 25
Saddle, — Young Fat ... 30
Pig's Chilling, — Chu Cheung ... 25
Brain, — Chu No ... per set 2
Feet, — Chu Keuk ... lb. 15
Fry, — Chu Chap ... 15
Head, — Chu Tau ... 13
Heart, — Chu Yia ... each 9
Kidneys, — Chu Yia ... each 8
Liver, — Chu Koa ... lb. 25
Pork Chop, — Chu Fat Kwai ... 25
Leg, — Chu Fat ... 30
Loin, — Chu Han Tan ... 24
Fat or Lard, — Chu Tan ... 21
Sheep's Head and Feet, — Young Fat ... set 70
Heart, — Young Fat ... each 8
Kidneys, — Young Fat ... each 13
Liver, — Young Fat ... lb. 30
Steaking Pig, to order, — Chu Tai ... 24
Suet, Beef, — Shang Ngau Yau ... 20
Mutton, — Shang Ngau Yau ... 20
Veal, — Ngau Tai Yau ... 20
Sausages, — Ngau Tai Cheung 20 No. 1 ... lb. 26

Fish.

Barbel, — Ka Yu ... lb. 28
Bream, — Pin Yu ... 28
Canton Fresh Water Fish, — Ho Si Yu ... 24
Carp, — Li Yu ... 24
Catfish, — Chik Yu ... 16
Codfish, — Mun Yu ... 20
Crab, — Hal ... 30
Cuttle Fish, — Muk Yu ... 18
Dab, — Sha Mang Yu ... 16
Dace, — Wong Mai Lap ... 19
Dog Fish, — Tit To Sha ... 16
Eels, Conger, — Ho Man ... 23
Fresh water, — Tam Shui Yu ... 23
Yellow, — Wong Sin ... 36
Frog, — Tin Koi ... 62
Garoupa, — Shek Pan ... 40
Gudgeon, — Pak Kap Yu ... 16
Herring, — Tso Pak ... 22
Halibut, — Cheung Kwan Kap ... 20
Lobster, — Wong Fa Yu ... 20
Loach, — Wo Yu ... 30
Lobsters, — Lung Ha ... 38
Mackerel, — Ohi Yu ... 20
Monk Fish, — Mong Yu ... 32
Mullet, — Tai Yu ... 20
Oysters, — Shang Mo ... 23
Parrot Fish, — Kai Kung Yu ... 16
Perch, — Tau Lo ... 22
Pike, — Fa Pau Fong ... 16
Plaice, — Pan Yu ... 22
Pomfret, Black, — Hak Cheung ... 34
Pomfret, White, — Pak Cheung ... 32
Prawns, — Ming Ha ... 45
Ray, — Fat Pa She ... 16
Rock Fish, — Shek Kwan Kung ... 22
Roach, — Chun Yu ... 30
Salmon, — Ma Yau ... 42
Shark, — She Yu ... 12
Skate, — Po Yu ... 13
Shrimps, — Ha ... 26
Snapper, — Lap Yu ... 33
Sole, — Tai Sha Yu ... 28
Tench, — Wan Yu ... 22
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DEATH.

TOLLAN—At the Matilda Hospital on December 3, 1919 Rosina Cray the dearly beloved daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Duncan Tolan aged 14 years. Funeral passes the monument to-morrow at 4.30 p.m.

BIRTHS.

CUNNINGHAM—On November 22, at Shanghai, to Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Cunningham, a son.

NEARN—On Nov. 22, at Shanghai, to Rev. and Mrs. T. A. Nearn, a son.

JORDAN—On Nov. 25, at Shanghai, to Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Jordan, a son.

GREEN—On Nov. 21, at Shanghai, to Capt. and Mrs. Bruce Green, a daughter.

MARRIAGES.

MANLEY-ALLEN—On Nov. 22, at Shanghai, George Noble Manley, to Yvonne, elder daughter of the late R. B. Allen and Mrs. Allen of Shanghai.

SHUTTLEWORTH-FRISCHLING—On November 23, at Shanghai, Major and Brevet Lieut-Colonel B. W. Shuttleworth, 45th Rat-tray's Bn, to Joy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Frischling of Shanghai.

ALEXANDER-ACHESON—On November 17, at Peking, Wilfred Archibald Alexander, of the British Consular Service in China, to Mary Prudence, elder daughter of Guy F. H. Acheson, Commissioner of Customs, China.

REES-JOHNSON—On Nov. 24, at Shanghai, Alwyn, only son of the Rev. W. Hopkyn Rees, D.D., of Shanghai, to Irene Johnson, of Bristol.

The China Mail.

TRUTH, JUSTICE, PUBLIC SERVICE.

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, Dec. 3, 1919.

ADVERSARIA.

We announced in SIR WILLIAM WILKINSON's column yesterday our intention to publish to-day the correspondence between Sir William Wilkinson and Sir John Jordan. It was all put in type overnight, and we can assure readers that we have not wantonly disappointed them. But Mr. Wilkinson, seeing our announcement, has managed to convince us that publicity at present will be undesirable. See correspondence.

We told the story in ROUGH ON THE SCOTS, the picture, was bombarded at St. Andrew's Ball, and utterly defeated. Visibility was high, and the marksmanship, considering the late hour, excellent. But we missed an incident attending the first volley of bottles. Said C.W.B. to J.R., a Sassanach to a Scot: "If this is the sort of thing you're going to do, I must say 'Good night.' You wouldn't see such unseemly proceedings at a European ball." This recalls the old anecdote of the Australian tax-collector who found a woman married to a Chinaman, and allowed his racial prejudices to appear. "That's nothing," she said. "The woman next door is married to a Scotchman."

The editor of the N. C. BULLITT who accused A. G. PREMIER, Gardner of being a pro-German seems to have been misled by some verses in The New Statesman, about the Lloyd-George-Bullitt incident. Two of them run:

It is clear that you and I are
One a dupe and one a liar;
If the fault be proved in me,
Bullitt, where will England be?
Bullitt, had I guessed that you were
Just a Yankee interviewer,
Both your ears cock for tips,
I'd have locked, not licked my lips.
That is the only reason we can
think of for his remark that "Our

short-memoried readers are reminded that Bullitt was the American reporter at Versailles when the Peace Conference was on. It is an improper description inasmuch as it represents Mr. Bullitt as a mere newspaper reporter to the average reader. Mr. Bullitt was, in effect, an official emissary, and no one doubts that his statements were substantially correct. Our Shanghai colleague has strong prejudices, and he doesn't always play the game."

Last week we were making an appeal for more respect for our police. Respect is good. They deserve it, and would doubtless appreciate it. But respect will not fill their bellies. It is some time ago that we echoed the dismay of the new recruits who found that their pay was not nearly enough. Apparently nothing has been done to satisfy them, and to-day, if our information be as correct as we believe it to be, we are faced with something like a strike. That just as we were feeling ready to cope with the terrible increase of crime in our midst, would be intolerable. The Government has been chucking money about lately, spending for the comfort of minorities. Let it hasten to do the square thing by its servants. Probably the spirit of compromise would put all right again. That's just it. Is it being shown? We don't know. We are in the dark. The public, whose interests are vitally at stake, are in the dark too.

Who'd run a SHORT MEASURE newspaper if he could get a grocery shop? Not only has the Editor "killed" several columns of correspondence bearing on the Hankow Consulate scandal. He has, in accordance with that decision, also slain a column of "adversaria." As all this occurs in the middle of the working day, it explains the "short measure" you get in this department.

Englishmen make BOOMERANG GLOVES. Rev. Spooner had no monopoly in "Spoonerisms." One of the queerest "bulls" we have seen lately was perpetrated by Mr. Thomas, the Labour man, at the Albert Hall. He seems to be hazy about one of two things, a gauntlet and a boomerang, or both. Perhaps he thought a boomerang was a whizzbang. At any rate, he spoke of the Government as having "thrown down the gauntlet which may go off as a boomerang." Out here we don't worry about gloves, but at home (where we carried them often) than we wore them, we were always losing em. Boomerang gloves would have saved us money.

In a paragraph some THE POLICE, where above, as well as in the story among the news elsewhere, it appears that we take a "one-sided" view of the situation. We do. So far as we can see there is only one side to it. In a bona fide attempt to present the other side, if there be one, we approached the Colonial Secretary, who was courteous as always but pleaded that he "knew nothing about it." We have had complaints lately about cable delays, but surely it doesn't need a cable to send information from the Police Department to the Colonial Secretary? Oughtn't they to know such things chop-chop?

LEAGUE CRICKET.

C.R.C. v. ROYAL NAVY.

The following will represent the C.R.C. in their match against Royal Navy on Saturday, at 2 p.m. on Home ground—Ng See Kwong (Captain), Yew Man Tsun, On Hew Fan, H. Ching, Geo. Lee, Shin Man Ping, Choa Man Ping, Yew Man Hon, James Wong, Wong Kwok Kwong and Thomas Lee.

BILLIARDS.

PALACE HOTEL HANDICAP.

In this Handicap last night W. G. Gerrard succeeded in beating W. E. Wilson by 14 points. Gerrard's chief breaks were 21, 19, 13, 17, 16, but Wilson did nothing better than 15. Final Scores were: Gerrard, 250; Wilson, 236.

To-night at 6 p.m. H. H. Taylor (—29) meets E. Hewbett (—200).

VERE FOSTER WRITING COMPETITION.

It is interesting to note that in the list of awards in the Vere Foster Competition which is held by Messrs. Blackie & Sons, the names of three pupils of the Saiyogun School appear. They are Yung Kam Yiu, prize and certificate, Tseng Kwong King, certificate and Li Wing Kong, certificate. The competition is open to the whole of the Empire and is carried on under the name of its founder, the late Mr. Vere Foster. In the competition there were over 300 entries from the United Kingdom, alone so the Saiyogun scholars are to be heartily congratulated on their success.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

To-day's dollar is worth 5s. 1d.

To-day's return of communicable disease has "nil" scrawled across it.

The Right Reverend Bishop D. Pozzoni returned to the Colony last night.

Mr. G. N. Manley, of Messrs. Brunner Mond, with his wife, returned from Shanghai by the "Ving-chow."

Bahadur Singh who was charged at the Criminal Sessions with the murder of Sucha Singh has been acquitted.

The wedding will take place shortly of Sergeant A.J.C. Taylor of the Hongkong Police Force to Miss Theresa Evanson.

A "Social Evening" is being held by the Kowloon British School at St. Andrew's Church Hall on Dec. 5 from 5.30 to 8 p.m.

The new hostel buildings of St. Paul's College in Upper Albert Road will be opened by H.E. the Governor on December 8 at 3.30 p.m.

The three motor bandits were again brought before Mr. J. R. Wood this morning. The case was remanded till next Wednesday for the first hearing.

The rider of a Henderson motor-cycle ran his machine into the harbour just by the Hongkong Club last night. The wiring was damaged and one of the cylinders cracked by the sudden immersion.

La Favorite has just received a large assortment of Ladies' Winter Hats of the latest Parisian styles. On the 6th inst. a consignment of hats, mounts, hats, dress lengths, flowers, etc., are expected.

The death took place at the Matilda Hospital this morning of Rosina Cray, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Duncan Tolan at the age of 14 years. The funeral takes place to-morrow passing the Monument at 4.30 p.m.

At the Helena May Institute on Wednesday, December 17, at 5.30 p.m., there will be a lantern lecture for children entitled: From London to Waihaiwei. The lecture is open to members' children and their friends.

The fourteenth issue of the Street Index of the City of Victoria compiled by Mr. A. Chapman, F.S.I., Government Assessor is to hand. As usual it is a very comprehensive volume and should be welcome addition to the bookshelves on every office.

The big race meeting of the Hongkong Jockey Club has been fixed for February 11, 12, 13 and 14. This is unusual, as the racing will commence on Wednesday continuing until Saturday, whereas in former years the meeting opened on a Monday, and proceeded on Tuesday and Wednesday with Saturday as the Off-Day.

Chinese wedding bells were ringing in Kowloon yesterday, and presents from the Hongkong side were so numerous that it was found necessary to commandeer one of the Star Ferry Company's boats to transport them. The "Polar Star" was seen, lying alongside loaded up to the plimsoll with boxes of baked pig, sweetmeats, and the rest.

Some few days ago the theft of a motor cycle and side car was reported and now we hear of a case of apparently malicious damage. A motor cyclist on visiting the house of a friend left his machine in the garage. On coming out he found it cranked up but only one cylinder fired. An examination revealed a cut magnet wire and a missing spark plug. It seems that motor cyclists will have to keep a better eye on their mounts these days.

ROBBERS IN NEW TERRITORY.

A night robbery is reported to have taken place in the New Territories on Monday. It appears that a number of workmen engaged in land reclamation were in their hut after finishing their day's work, when ten men armed with rifles entered. The workmen were held up and gagged and bound. The hut was then ransacked, and clothing, money and jewellery to the value of \$200, were stolen. No arrests have been made.

WHOOPING COUGH.

When your child has whooping cough be careful to keep the cough loose and expectoration easy by giving Chamberlain's Cough Remedy as it may be required. This remedy will also soothe the inflamed throat and make it easier to expectorate. It has been used successfully in many epidemics and contains no narcotics or other injurious substances. It is perfectly safe. For sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

SPECIAL CABLES.

HONGKONG SPORTSMEN IN NORTH CHINA.

AN UNPLEASANT ADVENTURE.

[China Mail Special.]

SHANGHAI, Dec. 2. Messrs Stabb and Moxon of Hongkong have just returned from a shooting trip up the Yangtze in the Wuhu and Tatung districts. They were stormbound, and their houseboat drifted away while the men were shooting. They passed the night on a native boat, returning to their own boat in the morning.

SHANGHAI HOUSEBOAT LOST.

SPORTSMEN GET HOME IN PYJAMAS.

[China Mail Special.]

SHANGHAI, Dec. 2. During a weekend houseboat trip near Shanghai there was a motor explosion. The engine room was aflame and the vessel burned to the water's edge. Messrs McBain and Prince miraculously escaped by jumping into another houseboat which was in tow. This was occupied by the Olfendessen brothers. The laodah promptly jettisoned the petrol, thus averting worse disaster. All the dogs were rescued. The survivors returned to Shanghai in their pyjamas.

CHINESE TELEGRAMS.

[Translated for the China Mail from the Wah Tai Yat Po.]

THE FOCHOW OUTRAGE.

SHANGHAI, Dec. 2. General Li Hui tzu of Fukien, has reported that the Japanese are still aggressive, and that he hears American and France are contemplating the sending of warships to Fochow.

A mass meeting was held by the Fukienese at Peking yesterday at which Mr. Chan Lu, the acting foreign minister, was asked to report the negotiations with the Japanese Minister about the Fochow outrage. They then resolved on six demands from the Japanese. Admiral Sah Chun Ping and Mr. Chang Yuen Ki were deputed to interview the president on the matter. The former after reporting what they saw in Fochow, requested the president to instruct the Charge d'Affaires at Tokyo to urge the Japanese Government to make an early reply. The six resolutions decided at the meeting were—(1) withdrawal of warships (2) apology (3) dismissal of Japanese Consul at Fukien (4) punishment of murderers (5) payment of indemnity (6) prohibition of carrying weapons by Japanese, and guarantee against further outrages.

The students' representatives had an interview with the Minister for Foreign Affairs about the Fochow business. The latter instructed the students not to make another parade. The Foreign Relations Committee has favoured the eight suggestions made by the Fukien Students.

ARMY REDUCTION.

The tuchun of Yunnan, General Tang Chi Yao, has endorsed the scheme for disbarring the troops but he thinks that peace should be concluded first. He sent a telegram to Peking to this effect.

POLICE PAY.

NEW COMERS DISGUSTED.

The dissatisfaction which has been expressed by the new recruits to the local Police Force, during the last few weeks, in regard to pay and conditions of service, came to a head yesterday, when we understand, intimation was given to the authorities that the men declined to risk their lives in Hongkong at the rate of pay fixed by the Government. The officers concerned have requested the Government to pay their passages back to England.

A China Mail reporter endeavoured to secure official details from the Captain Superintendent of Police, this morning, but was refused any information. The Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe was asked whether he would authorise a denial of the above report to which he replied "I decline to give any information."

That's all right if the Government does the right thing. The pay isn't enough, and everybody, unofficially admits it. Private firms would not dare to import assistants on such terms.

Later information shows that the Hongkong Government is prepared to meet the demands of those men who consider that they have been brought out to Hongkong "under false pretences," and their demand for a passage home will be met. These new men were brought out from home and were promised all kinds of opportunities for augmenting their pay. When they get here they find that roughly, their pay amounts to about \$80 per month out of which they have to meet their mess-bills, washing, and other items. They find themselves at the end of the month with about five dollars for "pocket money."

VIGNETTES OF HONGKONG.

III.

There was a rush of wings about the Throne. The first harp tuned up. From the Scottish concession came the skill of St. Andrew's pipes as he took the floor. The angels were agog. The heavenly cocktail-mixers were set out. St. Peter hastened toward the gate as the great man topped the last rung, escorted by the shades of his dependents, and in a deferential voice of thunder addressed him. "And what have you done," he said, "worthy to be entered by the Recording Angel?" "I built a palace on a hill side..." "For yourself?" frowned Peter. "I legislated..." "Ugh!" said St. Peter, expectorating in the glassy sea. "I founded..." St. Peter turned. "Bring out the machine for gnashing teeth," he ordered. "Cast him into the outer darkness and provide him with one box of local matches."

There was a rustle of settling wings about the Throne and St. Andrew's pipes sobbed into silence.

—KATH WEST.

OUR NEAREST NEIGHBOUR IN SPACE.

At the Helena May Institute last evening, the Rev. J. Kirk Macdonald, gave, to an appreciative audience, an amusing lecture on the moon—"Our Nearest Neighbour in Space."

Amongst those present were Lady Rees-Davies, the Hon. H. E. Pollock, K.C., Commodore Garner, R.N., and Miss Garner, Captain Basil Taylor, R.N., and Mrs. Taylor, and Mr. A. H. Crook.

Professor A. G. Warren operated the lantern with which the speaker's lecture was illustrated.

In opening his lecture, the speaker said that all of us were interested in the things near at hand. That being so, is there any wonder that we should seek to know all we could of the moon—the most interesting of the heavenly bodies, and our nearest neighbour in space?

She was 240,000 miles away, and travelling at a speed of 60 miles an hour, it would take a person 5½ months to reach it. The question of paying for a ticket for the journey at the present high rate of the dollar was a question anyone wishing to undertake it would have to take into serious consideration. (Laughter). By the time the earth circled once round the sun, the moon circled thirteen times round the earth. That was how primitive man was able to count the time.

Slides of the moon travelling round the earth were displayed; also of the surface of the moon as seen through a telescope. The lecturer then explained that the surface of the moon was exceedingly diversified. Some parts were brilliant, others dull. The moon shone entirely by the reflected light of the sun and was a burnt out cinder. People said that the darkened portions of the moon were seas because they assumed that the surface of the moon was similar to that of the earth. There was, however, no water on the surface of the moon, which was smaller than the earth. The diameter was 2,160 miles, the earth's 8,000 miles; the bulk of the moon was 1-15th of the earth and the weight 1-80th.

Illustrations of different phases of the moon were next shown and explained. The lecturer pointed out that there were mountains and craters in the moon. The shadows on her were intense, and the sunlight very bright. There was no mitigation of atmosphere. It was either hot or cold, and for that reason the light was very bright or very dark. Astronomers had carefully and accurately measured the mountains and craters of the moon by the length of the shadows and by a process of triangulation. The mountains on the moon were higher than on the earth. The moon, like the earth, was at one time in a molten condition, but being smaller the cooling surface contracted and the matter inside expanding, produced a mass of cracks and mountains. The moon was perpetually changing and affected the weather in a very slight degree. The shape of the moon was like an egg with the end turned towards the earth. People had never seen the dark part of the moon and would never see it. There were no changes in the surface of the moon, as there was no atmosphere, no frost and snow to break up the rocks. The craters, mountains and plains discovered on the moon were named after ancient heroes and famous astronomers. The craters were fifty or sixty miles in diameter. How was it that in the moon, which was smaller than the earth, there was a higher degree of volcanic activity? It was because everything weighed more on the earth than on the moon.

The earliest records of eclipses of the moon were contained in Chinese history. When an eclipse occurred, the Chinese turned out with instruments of torture and music—although it was impossible to distinguish one from the other—to drive away what they called the dragon.

At the conclusion of the lecture, the Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock proposed a vote of thanks to the lecturer and to Professor Warren for operating the slides.

A JEU D'ESPRIT.

WHERE ALL GOOD AUTHORS GO.

"This your first visit here? Please fill in this card."

Are you here for Life or only Sleep? Oh yes, most writers come here sooner or later in Sleep... and a good many become Life Members after what you call Death. Would you like to walk around?

This is the Fiction—History side. Yes, we bracket them.

Once you've found your way, you're welcome here any time, it only depends on yourself. Of course you have to keep the Rules. No, I can't tell you them, you find them out by transgressing, you remember them better that way. Punishments? Oh, very severe, from a week to a year's banishment for the worst offence.

This is our Plot-Counter, no attendants you see, because they are all wanted at the next counter. You help yourself, gratis... it's all old stock, and anyhow there are only twenty or thirty to choose from. Some complain that there are not even as many as that.

Yes, it's very old stock; I don't think we've had any additions since the last thousand years; still they nearly all use it. Oh yes, some do without and seem quite satisfied too. That next counter is our busiest one... pretty full isn't it? We call it the Dispensary because you get all the ingredients there to mix with the plots. It's wonderful how the old stock gets transformed... you would not recognise it. Some of the experts only use very few ingredients, with marvellous results. They all have to use a Solvent to get the ingredients into solution... Love, Ambition, Adventure, but mostly Love in some form. The older Authors have complained of the congestion at the counters since the last few years... it's those vulgar Scenario people... they use up an awful lot of ingredients. The Authorities have been petitioned to establish a separate side for these folk. Those pink slips? That's what they pay with. You get them from the Cashier's window over there. He keeps the books, every one is more or less in Credit here; you are, or you couldn't visit here. You can draw on your account, but you must spend it. We call the slips "effort cheques." Those who spend most get the biggest credits. If you don't spend, your credit dwindles. Sleep members have the best chance... that's why the Life members run after them so as to get them to use ingredients and plots they neglected to buy when they were Sleepers. Fools and Bored? Of course, just as many here as with you... only the Life ones are a degree less foolish than those you meet.

Poets? Plenty... very numerous indeed. They got permission from the Authorities to have their own Special place... over there, on that hill... they call it Parnassus Hill. We thought it would get rid of them all... but only a few went. Those that remain you say are not poets? Take care, you are on dangerous ground. That small counter in the corner? Yes, it's a free counter. No, I am sorry to say it is nearly deserted. We call it the Divine Affair Counter. You can take away all you can carry, but it is terribly hard to take any away. We all visit it at least once and carry a morsel away... otherwise we would not be here... but very few visit it twice or more times. Some of the biggest loads have been taken by quite feeble sickly creatures—a good many of them women, too. Yes, a few do come back several times... but they seldom take away as much as the first. In that corner? That's old Pegasus, he watches for the heavily laden ones and sometimes gives them a lift. Oh yes, we have other sides... the Scientific, Religious, Philosophic, Trade, technical &c. See that narrow strip of sandy desert? That's where we put the Government Examination Paper Setters. Yes, it's narrow, and droughty, but they don't mind. Why, some of them live all their time on a strip only 6 inches wide and don't know it.

This is the box for the Authors. Benevolent Fund... everyone is expected to give what they can. No, not pink slips, only tactful appreciation, kind words, encouragement. We want all we can get, and have never enough to go round. It's perfectly wonderful how a little backs them up. What? Printers, Publishers, Editors?

Now you've done it... sorry to mention such people's the greatest crime here. Banishment one year, there's none of those people here, especially the last. This way, mind the step!

DURAN.

BOXING.

In addition to the contests already announced as to be staged at the forthcoming tournament at the City Hall on December 13, the following bouts will take place. Six round middle-weight contest, Seaman Wallingby, H.M.S. "Hawkins" v. Sergeant Rogers, Wiltshire; six round light-weight contest, Seaman O'Shea, R.M.S. "Carlisle" v. Private Woodward, Wiltshire.

ST. PAUL'S COLLEGE.

The new Hostel of St. Paul's College will be opened by His Excellency the Governor at 3.30 p.m. on Monday next. An interesting, though brief, history of St. Paul's College and details of the extension scheme has been issued. From it we gather that in 1849 the Rev. Vincent Stanton, the first Colonial Chaplain to Hongkong, opened a school for the teaching of English to Chinese boys in Hongkong, it being named St. Paul's College. After being carried on for some time on these lines an unsuccessful attempt was made to convert the College into a Training Institution for English Clergy. The school was started again and continued until 1900 when it was closed by Bishop Hoare and a Training Institution opened for Chinese preachers. When this was transferred to Canton the present school was opened under the auspices of the Church Missionary Society. It opened in 1909 with quite a small number of students, but the number rapidly multiplied until it was difficult to find sufficient accommodation. The foundation stone of the first extension was laid by Sir Frederick Lugard in 1911 when further buildings were fore-shadowed, and these came in 1913 when through rebuilding, accommodation was found for 350 students. In 1916 a large and commodious building was secured in Caine Road, becoming known as the Hostel, while in 1904 a junior school was opened in Hollywood Road, and in 1916 another in Aberdeen. There is also a school in Yau-mat and the latest addition is a building at Shekhi. Now again the crowded condition of the school and the large number of applications for admission having again led to the need for the extension of the school premises, the Bishop of Victoria has expressed his willingness to vacate his private residence in the College and to ask the approval of the Archbishop of Canterbury, the trustee for the property, to allow the whole premises to be used for educational purposes, provided that a suitable episcopal residence is provided elsewhere. This means that a large piece of ground will be available for school purposes. The whole property measures 58,270 square feet and has been leased by the Government for educational purposes for a period of 999 years at a rental of \$1 per annum. Recently \$100,000 was offered for the site of the Hostel alone, from which it may be estimated that the total value of the property cannot be less than a quarter of a million dollars. The Bishop's offer depends on the response to the appeal for the necessary funds to carry out this extension. The hostel will be a three-story, fire proof building, capable of accommodating at least 80 students besides the European and Chinese staff. The amount needed is about \$150,000. To the first donor to pay in \$10,000 will go the privilege of naming the great hall of the hostel, and for smaller amounts philanthropists may name the gymnasium, library and class rooms.

SHIPPING PERSONALIA.

Mr. J. Hargreaves, second officer, "Faishan," has gone second officer, "Hupeh." Mr. A. H. Bathurst, second officer, "Hupeh," is on reserve.

Mr. D. S. Whyte, second engineer, "Ngankin," is on reserve.

Captain E. Tiptell, of the "Wai-shing," has gone master, "Wing-sang." Captain D. Christie, of the "Wingsang," has gone master, "Wai-shing."

Mr. W. R. Williams, from reserve, has been appointed supernumerary chief officer, "Yusang."

Mr. J. F. Messer, supernumerary second officer, "Hangsang," is on reserve.

Mr. J. E. Bryson, second officer, "Fooksang," has gone second officer, "Haiyang."

Mr. A. Woodley, from reserve, has been appointed supernumerary second officer, "Fooksang."

Mr. R. G. Palmer, from reserve, has been appointed second officer, "Fooksang."

Mr. E. Walker, chief officer, "Haiyang," is on reserve. Mr. W. K. Bennett, second officer, "Haiyang," has gone chief officer, same ship.

Mr. C. D. Forrester, chief engineer, "Kurwo," has gone chief engineer, "Kwongsang."

Mr. T. Roberts has been appointed third engineer, "Haeen."

Mr. G. Simael has been appointed third engineer, "Yushun."

Mr. R. Wetherell, third officer, "Haiching," is on reserve. Mr. O. H. Farrer, third officer, "Haiching," has gone third officer, "Haiching."

Mr. H. Conway has been appointed chief officer, "Cardiganshire." Mr. W. Robellard has been appointed second officer, "Cardiganshire." Mr. J. P. Thompson has been appointed third officer, "Cardiganshire."

Mr. L. F. Lilley, chief officer, "Gabo," has resigned. Mr. R. G. Lane, second officer, "Gabo," has resigned.

Mr. J. Archer, third officer, "Gabo," has resigned.

Spend your Evenings in a "WALLA WALLA" Lunch.

MURDER ON THE KOWLOON RAILWAY.

WATCHMAN STABBED TO DEATH

Last night the Police received a telephone message from Mr. Baker of the Canton-Kowloon Railway reporting that at about 7 p.m. it was discovered that the Chinese watchman on duty at the Beacon Hill tunnel had been seriously stabbed in his back. The man was conveyed to the Kowloon station and Dr. J. T. Snalley was sent for. The stab wounds inflicted were so serious that the man succumbed to his injuries soon after.

In addition to the above information obtained from the Police the *China Mail* learns that the crime was discovered by the guard of a ballast train which left Kowloon station at 8 p.m. On arrival at the tunnel, where they were to unload the ballast, the guard went into the watchman's hut to obtain a light for the lamp. There he found the watchman badly stabbed and the place like a shambles. The position of the train made it easier to take the engine to Shatin, there to telephone and secure first aid, all the station masters being trained in this very useful accomplishment. Reaching Shatin the guard telephoned to the railway Medical Officer, the police and the railway authorities. Then he took the stationmaster back to the tunnel, where first aid was rendered. Mr. F. Winyard, the traffic Inspector and the station master from Yau-mat, who are also first aid men, arrived shortly afterwards, together with the Police. The injured man was put on to a stretcher and brought into Kowloon by the ballast train. They were met by the railway Medical Officer but the man died about ten minutes after he had been brought in. He received about twenty stab wounds. His condition was such that he could only say "three men," which phrase he continually repeated, this leading to the assumption that he was attacked by three men. The Railway authorities can ascribe no motive for the crime.

OPIUM CASE.

Before Mr. R. O. Hutchison this morning, a woman was charged with being in unlawful possession of 4 taels of prepared opium on board the s.s. "Quinebaug."

Mr. C. H. Lyson appeared for the defence. A female searher employed at the Douglas wharf stated that on November 26, and 11.45 a.m., she was on duty at the wharf where the s.s. "Quinebaug" was alongside and was about to leave. She met the defendant on board and asked her to be searched. She felt something hard in her pocket, and asked her to produce it. Defendant, as soon as she had brought it out threw it overboard. Witness seized her and she called out to a Chinese constable to get a sampan to "fish" what was thrown into the water. A pair of socks was brought up and enclosed, was the opium. The defendant was then put under arrest.

Cross-examined by Mr. Lyson witness said that there were many passengers on board on the day in question. The defendant was not very far away from the railing of the ship.

His Worship: Who asked you to search defendant?

Witness: I was told by the *lukung*.

The defendant was called to the box.

Cross-examined by Mr. Lyson, defendant said that she and her husband were grocers when they were at Singapore. She arrived in Hongkong on November 23 and stayed at a boarding house. On the 25th she boarded the steamer going home to Swatow. She was searched on arrival in Hongkong but nothing was found on her. She was searched when she was at the gate of the Douglas wharf, and was passed. A female searher found nothing on her when she was on board. She did not notice anyone throwing anything overboard.

Mr. Lyson said his client and her husband were respectable people in Singapore. They were on their way home for retirement and were passing through. They were not opium smokers, otherwise there might be reason to believe this story. He considered that if his client was trying to make money by smuggling, she would not be satisfied with four taels. He would ask his Worship to discharge defendant. His Worship imposed a fine of \$250 or, one month.

WOODEN HOUSES.

In this matter, as in many others, it has remained for *The Daily Mail* once again to give a useful lead to public opinion. In a series of well-informed articles it has called attention to the comeliness of design of wooden—or as they are known to many of my over-seas readers, "frame"—houses, as well as to their cheapness and the rapidity with which they can be constructed. The idea has been taken up with the greatest enthusiasm by the public, and builders are eager to get on with the work of providing homes on these lines. The main stumbling block to their provision hitherto has been our antiquated by-laws, which, from the point of view of fire, forbade their construction. Thanks to *The Daily Mail* agitation, however, these restrictions are being relaxed.

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ST. VINCENT DE PAUL BAZAAR.

The Bazaar Committee of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul beg to acknowledge with thanks the receipt of the following further donations for the Bazaar which is to be held on Sunday the 7th December:—

Mr. P. H. J. C. Jonckheer, \$10.

Mr. D. Chellaram, 1 Indian Embroidered Cloth.

Mr. G. Beaurepaire, 1 Silk Bag.

Mrs. E. L. do Rozario, 1 Tea Set, 2 Jugs, 4 Dishes, 2 Vases and 1 Cushion Cover.

LATEST SHIPPING NEWS.

ARRIVALS.

The s.s. "Takano Maru," (Captain Kanayama) arrived from Keelung yesterday with 1,230 tons of coal.

The s.s. "Suisang" (Capt. Fraser) arrived from Java yesterday with 3,600 tons of sugar for Hongkong.

The s.s. "Taisama" (Capt. Maher) arrived from Haiphong this morning with 400 tons of general cargo for Hongkong.

The s.s. "Cheongsing" (Capt. Cortlandt) arrived from Tientsin via Chefoo this morning with 750 tons of general cargo.

The s.s. "Noihow" (Capt. Dillon) arrived from Newchang and Dalny this morning with 830 tons of general cargo for Hongkong.

The s.s. "Satanita" (Capt. Trot) arrived from San Francisco via Shanghai yesterday with 1,300 tons of fuel oil for Hongkong.

The s.s. "Esang" (Capt. Polking-horn) arrived from Shanghai via Wuhu yesterday with a through cargo of 1,850 tons of rice.

The s.s. "Loksang" (Captain Simpson) arrived from Haiphong and Hoihow this morning with 800 tons of general cargo, and 5 bags of mails.

The s.s. "Endicott" (Capt. Alwen) arrived from Seattle via Shanghai yesterday with 2,573 tons of general cargo of which 78 tons were for Hongkong.

The s.s. "Yingchow" (Capt. Simons) arrived from Tsingtau via Swatow this morning with 670 tons of general cargo for Hongkong. She also brought mails.

The s.s. "Toyen Maru," (Captain Shimazaki) arrived from Sourabaya via Sandakan, yesterday with 3,419 tons of sugar and general cargo. Also 2 bags of mails.

The s.s. "Amakusa Maru," (Capt. Kobayashi) arrived from Keelung via Swatow this morning with 929 tons of coal and 137 tons of general cargo for Hongkong. She also brought mails.

DEPARTURES.

The s.s. "Chongva" (Capt. Fletcher) sailed for Pakhoi at 9 a.m. today with 400 tons of general cargo.

The s.s. "Shuncheong" (Captain Leong) sailed for K.C. Wan at 10 a.m., to-day with 150 tons of general cargo.

The s.s. "Arratoon Apar" (Capt. Rowe) sailed for Kobe via Saanghai at 10 a.m., to-day with 500 tons of general cargo.

The s.s. "Tokushima Maru," (Capt. Okuno) sailed for Kobe via Saanghai at 2 p.m., to-day with 400 tons of general cargo.

The s.s. "Doylestown," (Capt. Fraatz) sailed for Calcutta via Singapore at 9 a.m., to-day with 400 tons of general cargo.

The s.s. "Shinyo Maru," (Captain Natsumoto) sailed for Bombay via Singapore at 7 a.m. to-day with 1,200 tons of general cargo.

SHIPS IN HARBOUR.

List of vessels in port this morning.

British—

Hangsang
Satanita
Suisang
Yingchow
Cheong Shing
Loksang
Hoihow
Sunning
Yuen-sang
Euplectela
Fooshing
Kanchow
Arratoon Apar
Pearl Leaf
Victoria
Hopsang
Tyndareus
Cornelia
Jehangir
War Sepoy

Chinese—

Taisama
Shun Shing
Kwang Lee
Alicorne
Shun Cheong
Kanchow
Arratoon Apar
Ah Pit Tai
Kit On
Mo Hon

Dutch—

Limburg

French—

Songma

Portuguese—

Traz os Montes
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CORRESPONDENCE.

THE CASE OF SIR WILLIAM WILKINSON.

(To the Editor of the *China Mail*.)

Sir,—I shall be glad, if you will let the fact be known to the readers of your newspaper that I have requested you to refrain from publishing the correspondence relative to my brother, Sir William Wilkinson, and that such correspondence was not supplied to you by me.

Yours etc.,

C. D. WILKINSON.

DULL CONVICTION COMES ASPACE.

(To the Editor of the *China Mail*.)

Sir,—I deplore dullness, but we must sometimes be dull in order to convince.

Compare:—
"Venus & Adonis" Verses 136 & 170.
... from the sky ... Venus' eye.
... fool was I ... must not die.

"Rape of Lucrece" Stanza 163 & 176.
... Wretched I ... affright mine eye ... fall and die.
... Melting eye ... sympathy ... mistress' sky.

Also, "Grant that ... the Eater may be I," seems to me both grammatical and lucid. Did you want the colloquial "me"?

Perhaps the Adversarialist was thinking too much of his new translation of Romeo and Juliet.

In regard to my marital strife, that is nothing to what my wife will raise at the *China Mail* Office when she goes there.

KEITH WEST.
P.S. Ham-fat is crisp if properly cooked.
Eggs are not crisp if properly cooked.

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Hongkong, December 3, 1919.

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THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction,

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THURSDAY, December 4, 1919,

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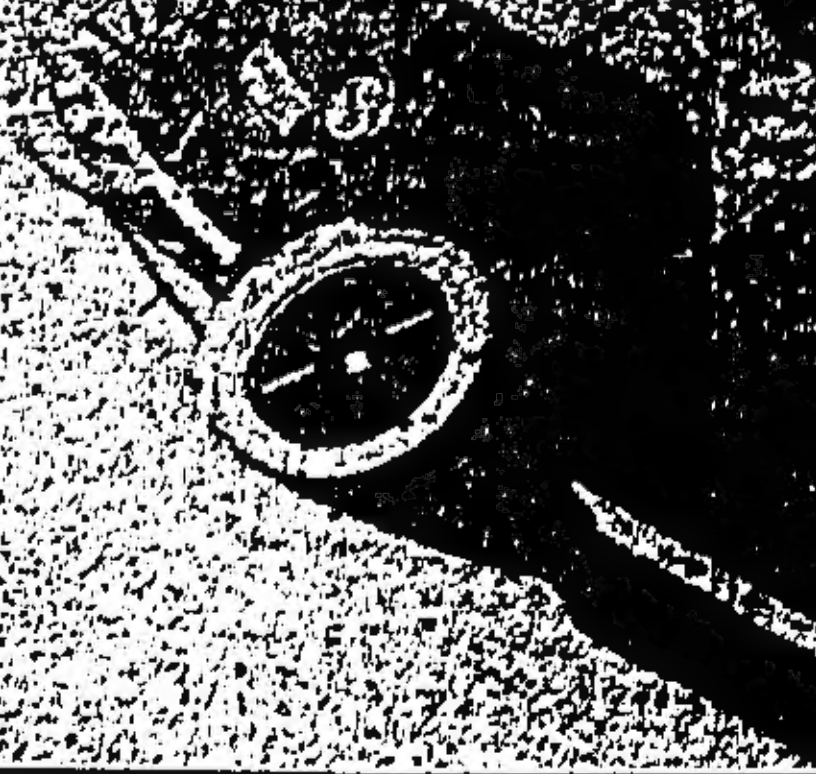
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TO-DAYS ADVERTISEMENTS.

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FACULTY OF MEDICINE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the UNIVERSITY is about to appoint a Part-time Tutor of Anatomy.

Full particulars may be obtained from the Dean of the Medical Faculty.

N. TEESDALE MACKINTOSH,

Registrar.

Hongkong, December 3, 1919.

PUBLIC AUCTIONS.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction,

(For Account of the Concerned),

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FRIDAY,

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HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE.

One large cooking range,

One Gas cooker,

One Electric in good condition,

Two Victrolas with records,

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Two Parambulators,

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And

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Terms:—Cash.

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Auctioneers.

Hongkong, December 3, 1919.

(FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED),

on

TUESDAY,

December 9, 1919, commencing at

2.30 p.m., at their Sales Rooms, No. 8,

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A Few Lots of

Double hemstitched Sheets, Linen

Damask Table Cloths, Turkish Face

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Bedspreads and Table Covers,

Also

One Wardrobe Trunk, Bellow Valises

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Two Prismatic Binoculars.

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Dinner Waggons, Extension Dining

Tables and Chairs, &c., Dinner Services,

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FAR EASTERN CABLE NEWS.

[BY COURTESY "HONGKONG DAILY PRESS."]

A FRENCH DIPLOMATIST'S MARRIAGE.

LONDON, November 25th.

The French Courts have granted a French diplomatist an annulment of his marriage with an American actress whom he met in Shanghai.

The pair, whose names are not given, were married in Mongolia by a Belgian missionary.

French law requires that a Frenchman marrying abroad must have the ceremony performed according to the usages of the country in which it is carried out, and the usages in Mongolia are capture on horseback or purchase, neither of which was followed.

MOTOR SHIPBUILDING IN THE EAST.

A GROWING INDUSTRY.

The special correspondent of Lloyd's List writes that several reasons have combined to cause a great increase in the development of the construction of commercial motor craft of small and large sizes, not only in India, but in the Federated Malay States and in China and Japan. During the war there has been a shortage of shipping in the East, and the Indian Government urged shipbuilders in India and in Singapore and Rangoon to undertake the construction of vessels of a size of which they were capable, built of Indian teak. As a result several motor ships were built, while in Rangoon the first of several craft which are to be turned out has recently been launched.

In Singapore two 2,500-ton full-powered vessels have lately been built, also 230ft. in length, but with a beam of 42ft. and a depth of 22ft., the gross tonnage being 1,760 tons. These ships are intended for trade between Singapore and Hongkong, and are owned by the Anglo-Chinese Steamship Co., of Singapore. The machinery equipment consists in each vessel of two 360-h.p. four-cylinder Skandia oil engines of the semi-Diesel type, these motors being of special interest in that they represent a somewhat novel design for engines of this class. In the usual semi-Diesel motor the air for scavenging into the cylinders after the combustion stroke is obtained by compression within the crank-chamber, which is therefore totally enclosed, rendering the bearings inaccessible. In the new design separate scavenging pumps are fitted, one for each cylinder, the pistons for the pumps being driven off the main engine connecting rods. By this arrangement the crank-chamber is accessible when the engine is running, which is considered an advantage in marine installations.

CHINESE DEVELOPMENTS.

"In China there is now every sign of great development being made in the adoption of motor craft on all the rivers and canals in the country. Some of the rivers, such as the Yangtze, are navigable for several hundred miles, and practically all the transport is carried out by vessels on these rivers. Owing to the excellent organisation of several of these oil-producing companies, paraffin and crude oil are available throughout China at low prices and in large quantities. Coal, on the other hand, which is now obtained wholly from Japan, costs between £5 and £6 per ton, so that the saving effected by using motor craft instead of steamers is found to be between 50 and 75 per cent., and often more.

Several large motor river craft fitted with engines up to 400 h.p. have recently been put into commission, and, in view of the demand, two large Chinese engineering firms are now turning out a hot-bulb engine for this work, based upon European design. One of the largest vessels so equipped is the "Kwong Lee Loy," which was built by the Kwong Tuck Cheong Co., of Hongkong, who also constructed the two six-cylinder motors of 300 h.p. These engines are said to have given very good results, and large numbers of similar and smaller sets are now under construction for installation in coastal and river craft.

In Japan still more progress is being made in the installation of oil engines in vessels up to 2,000 tons, several of which are now trading between Japan and the west coast of America. Workshops have been specially laid out by firms in Kobe and Tokyo for the manufacture of marine oil engines, and not only are diesel motors being built, but also paraffin engines for fishing vessels, as a large proportion of Japanese fishing vessels are now being equipped with motors.

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LOCAL SHIPPING DISPUTE.

UNFAVOURABLE ANSWER—STRIKE LIKELY TO FOLLOW.

Some days ago we announced that an ultimatum had been sent by the dock officers and engineers to what may be termed the smaller shipping companies, in distinction to Messrs. Jardine Matheson and Messrs. Butterfield and Swire. For this purpose the China Coast Officers' Guild and the Engineers' Guild formed an amalgamation, this move being met by the owners of vessels forming a Hongkong Ship-owners' Association. The amalgamated Guilds then sent a letter to the Owners' Association, asking for a meeting at which the situation could be discussed. Both sides are very reticent about giving information as to what has happened, but we understand the position at present is as follows. A meeting of the Owners' Association was held yesterday afternoon to consider the letter from the two Guilds and it was decided that it would be impossible to meet the demand for further increases in wages owing to the condition of the freight market. If this is so the result will probably be that a strike will eventually ensue and that the owners will lay up their ships. A meeting of the two employees' guilds was called for 3 o'clock this afternoon.

AN ARMS CASE.

A case pronounced as "very weak" came before Mr. R. O. Hutchison this morning when a Chinese was charged with the unlawful possession of 2 daggers on the first floor of No. 4 Sai Street. A Chinese detective stated that at 11 a.m. yesterday he, in the company of Inspector Grant went to the house with an arms warrant. He entered the first cubicle and saw defendant in a bed with four others in the room. A search was made. In the verandah behind a board there was a basket which contained two daggers wrapped in a piece of paper. The defendant was handcuffed.

His Worship:—Why did you arrest the defendant and not the others?

Witness:—The other four are detained.

His Worship said he considered the case was a very weak one as the ownership of the weapons was not known. Why was this particular man charged?

Inspector Grant said that it appeared that the defendant was the tenant of the flat, and he believed he should be held responsible.

His Worship discharged defendant and confiscated the weapons.

A FIVE-MILLION DEAL.

INDUSTRIAL AMALGAMATION.

It is officially announced that Mr. John Slater, of John Slater (London) Ltd., has acquired from Mr. Clarence C. Hatry, the managing director of the Commercial Bank of London, the controlling interest in Amalgamated Industrial Ltd. This deal involves, in all, a sum of £5,000,000. The present issued capital of Amalgamated Industrial Ltd. is £1,500,000, and Mr. Slater has applied for and taken up the reserve capital of £1,395,000 Ordinary £1 shares, making the total issued capital of the company equal to the present authorised aggregate of £3,000,000. Mr. Slater, now intends increasing the capital to £5,000,000 in order to merge his various industrial interests with Amalgamated Industrial.

Through this expansion of the company it will become substantially interested in the following undertakings: The two large shipbuilding yards of Murdoch and Murray and Ferguson Bros., on the Clyde; the new Haden Collieries, the Berry Hill Collieries, the business of steam trawler owners and fish merchants of Kelsall Bros., and Beering, besides a controlling interest in the International Marine Insurance Company, and the City Life Insurance Company, as well as Mr. Slater's own firm of John Slater (London), which owns a large number of shipping lines. Amalgamated Industrial will retain the full controlling interest, by virtue of its holding of all the Ordinary shares, of its present main assets, including the Clyde Shipbuilding and Engineering Company, the hematite, pig-iron, and coal-by-products business of William Whitwell and Co., and the cotton mills of the North End Spinning Company, of Bolton. By this fusion of interests Amalgamated Industrial will become one of the foremost industrial holding companies in the United Kingdom. Mr. Clarence C. Hatry and Mr. Peter Haig-Thomas have been invited by Mr. Slater to become joint financial advisers to the new board of Amalgamated Industrial, which will include Mr. Slater, and his colleagues, and the heads of the various companies now brought under uniform control.

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VICAR ON CHURCH REFORM.

The Rev. Silas Evans, vicar of Llanrhadrhyd Mochant, preaching at Welshpool Harvest Festival, said that among the spheres in which the fields were ripe for harvest was church reform.

There were anomalies in the church which should no longer continue. The sale of advowsons was one. The putting up for sale to the highest bidder of advowsons for the cure of souls was a scandal which must be removed. Parishioners must have some voice in the selection of their ministers. There should be a retiring age for all clergy, and the neglect of parishes by aged clergy should not be allowed. There must also be a minimum wage for the clergy. It was highly desirable that poor rents should be abolished. Large, unwieldy, or over-populated dioceses must be split up. The laity should be given greater powers. The stereotyped service of the church might be one of the contributory causes to the neglect of public worship, but convocation was now compiling a new supplemental Prayer Book which would give greater freedom and elasticity.

COMPARISON OF SIX HOUR AND EIGHT HOUR DAYS.

For comparison of the effective work of the 6-hour with the 8-hour shift, more or less complete details are forthcoming from three triplate factories, but the facts are not so clear and decisive as in the case of the 4-hour shift, and another disturbing factor is made evident. The work in these factories was not so uniform as in the former case, the reduction of hours was often for short periods and frequently interrupted. The author suggests from his experience in other inquiries, that workers need time to accommodate themselves to new conditions of work. A steady level of production is only attained after the worker perceives that he can speed up his rate of working without incurring over fatigue. The operation of these disturbing fluctuations is unsatisfactory, they emphasise the difficulty of the inquiry and its sources of error. In one factory, however, in which 6-hour shifts were worked for 96 weeks out of 193, and continuously for 15 months, the mean hour output in all the 6-hour shifts was 8.5 per cent. greater than in the 8-hour shifts, but owing to the time required for adaptation this figure is probably rather low: the real measure of improvement is in the author's opinion, more nearly 10 per cent. Some increase may be justifiable, but the amount is arbitrary. At the third factory, as far as the evidence shows, an increase of 4.7 per cent. is declared in favour of the 6-hour shift. From these data the author concludes "with considerable probability that when 6-hour shifts are worked the hourly output is about 10 per cent. greater than when 8-hour shifts are worked. In the latter case, therefore, a correction of 5.3 has been applied for "adaptation."—Engineering.

REST PERIODS IN TIN-PLATE ROLLING.

Some interesting results are available concerning the output in the successive hours of the shift, and the length of the rest pauses at the different stages of the work. The shifts change, but the work goes on with unvarying activity from early Monday morning to midday on Saturday, and at no time does the work stop for more than a few minutes; each shift following on its predecessor with automatic regularity. The entire cycle of operations that reduces the bar to the sheet (about 100 minutes in all) can be conveniently divided into five stages, and the men make a slight and necessary pause between successive stages. These pauses have been carefully timed both for length and frequency, and the result shows that the number of minutes spent in each hour in recuperation is, in the mean, 12.5 in 8-hour shifts, and 10.2 in 6-hour. The actual number of minutes worked, therefore, is in one case 47.5 per hour and in the other 49.8 per hour, and some of the extra output in the shorter shift is therefore due not to greater concentration on the operation, or any increased capacity for work, but simply that more time is given to actual work. Some 4 per cent. of the observed increase can be accounted for in this way. The human machine is not enabled to do better work, or to put out more energy in the same time, but to work more minutes. The conclusion derived from the observation of frequency is that with a shorter spell of work, more pauses are needed, but of shorter duration than in the longer period.

Of rests of less than two minutes in length, the percentage is 55 in the 6-hour shift against 38 in the longer. But with pauses of four minutes duration, the percentage is 21 in the 8-hour shift and only 7 in the 6-hour. The number of rests per hour, in both long and short working periods, is 3.6; therefore, from the figures given above, the "average" recuperation pause is 3.42 minutes when employed for 8 hours, and 2.85 minutes in the shorter working shift.—Engineering.

PASSAGES OF SOLDIERS' FAMILIES.

The following circular from the War Office, dated Oct. 9, has been issued.

The following is circulated for information with regard to the wives and families of Officers and Other Ranks proceeding with their husbands to, or joining them at, Stations Abroad during the Trooping Season 1909—1920.

Imperial Garrisons (except Egypt, Black Sea, Mesopotamia, Palestine and India.)

(a) Entitled passengers: Passports are not necessary; but every passenger is to be provided with an Embarkation Permit issued by the Directorate of Movements, War Office.

In the case of wives and families wishing to proceed with their husbands, passages will not be provided until the General Officer Commanding of the Command Abroad has certified that accommodation is available.

This information will be obtained by the Directorate of Movements, War Office, by cable.

In the case of "Unaccompanied Families," passages will be provided as soon as accommodation is available after receipt of the certificate from the General Officer Commanding of the Command Abroad.

In the case of Husbands proceeding Abroad after the 15th September 1919, passages for their wives and families will be provided in the same ship if suitable accommodation is available. Failing this, they will be despatched as "Unaccompanied Families."

(b) Non-Entitled passengers: A passport is necessary in every case, for which application must be made to the passport Office, 1, Lake Buildings, St. James Park, London, S.W.1.

This however cannot be obtained unless the Applicant produces the written authority of the General Officer Commanding of the Command (or Brigade, if in India) to which she wishes to proceed.

Husbands are therefore warned that they should provide their wives with this Authority before application is made to the Passport Office.

The War Office is unable to afford any facilities as regards Indulgence passages. All arrangements for passage must be made and the cost defrayed by the individual concerned.

EGYPT.

(a) Entitled passengers: Passports are not necessary, Embarkation Permits being issued by the Directorate of Movements, War Office. Before passages are provided the Directorate of Movements will cable the names of all intending passengers to the General Officer Commanding for the approval of himself and of the Director General of Public Security. The General Officer Commanding will cable his reply giving the reference number of the approval of the Director General of Public Security, which number will be endorsed upon the face of each Embarkation Permit.

(b) Non-Entitled passengers: Passports are essential. Husbands should obtain the written approval of the General Officer Commanding which will not be given without the consent of the D.G.P.S.

This approval may be cabled at the husbands, expense to the Military Permit Office, London, giving the wife's address in England, which Office will communicate with wife as regards the provision of a Passport.

In urgent cases, the wife may apply to the Military Permit Office, London, which Office will obtain the approval of the General Officer Commanding by cable at the applicant's expense.

Applicants are warned that no sanction can be given for any portion of the expenses of the journey both ways or of maintenance during stay to be at the Public expense.

PALESTINE.

(a) Entitled passengers: Passports are not necessary; but an Embarkation Permit will be issued by the Directorate of Movements, War Office. No passages will be provided until the husband is in the country and the General Officer Commanding has approved of the wife and family joining him. Recommendations for passage will be made by the General Officer Commanding, Egypt, in making which, the number of the authority of the D.G.P.S. will be quoted.

This number will be endorsed on the face of the embarkation Permit.

(b) Non-Entitled passengers: The permission for wives and families who are not entitled to passage at the War Office expense to join their husbands is cancelled in so far as Palestine is concerned.

ARMY OF THE BLACK SEA.

(a) Entitled passengers: No entitled passages will be provided.

(b) Non-Entitled passengers: Families are allowed to proceed to the Constantinople Area only. Names and addresses of those to whom permission is given will be telegraphed by the General Officer Commanding, Constantinople direct to the Military Permit Office, London, who will communicate with the wife and issue the necessary permit and authority for Passport.

Such families are allowed to proceed subject to the following conditions:—

PORT OF SEATTLE.

Seattle, Wash., November.—More than \$1,000,000 a day; more than \$30,000,000 a month; more than twice as great as the same month in 1918 was the value of Seattle's imports from the Orient during September, according to statistics compiled by the Seattle port warden.

This flood of shipments from the countries on the other side of the Pacific was made possible by the new fleets of carriers placed in service out of this port by the United States Shipping Board, which is steadily increasing its volume of business handled.

The new American merchant marine, represented by the huge steel steamships built by the Emergency Fleet Corporation, is taking an important place on the trans-Pacific trade routes, and still further increase in Seattle's trade with China, Japan and the Philippines is expected.

Although enormous shipments of raw silk and silk goods, which were rushed by special train across the continent, aided the port in scoring its record for September, more than \$10,000,000 worth of other products of the Orient were landed at Seattle in the month.

Huge consignments of vegetable oils, rubber, hemp, cereals and Japanese and Chinese merchandise, much of which was landed by Shipping Board vessels, were responsible for the record made by the port.

Seattle's imports from the Orient for September, totalled 35,630 tons valued at \$30,590,826. Of this amount 1,694 tons were raw silk and silk goods valued at \$20,293,667. The figures show that 33,936 tons valued at \$10,297,159 were consignments other than raw silk and silk goods. Shipments from Seattle to ports in the Orient during September were 98,561 tons valued at \$11,649,741 all American products for the markets of the Far East. Imports from the Orient during September 1918 were valued at \$14,886,623, according to records of the port warden's office, September 1919, showing a gain of \$15,704,203.

Some comment and speculation was rife on the streets today as to the presence of Indian policemen who were patrolling along Queen's Road Central, in the "bank district" with loaded carbines.

(1) Husbands must not be likely to be moved within one year.

(2) They must be responsible for all expenses in connection with the journey both ways and for maintenance during stay.

Permission for families to proceed to the Caucasus Area of the Army of the Black Sea will not be granted.

INDIA.

(a) Entitled passengers: Passages for the family of an Officer or a soldier belonging to Units, proceeding on relief or serving on a recognised tour of duty will be provided in the same vessel as the husband if suitable accommodation is available.

Failing this, they will be despatched as "Unaccompanied Families."

In the case of wives and families wishing to proceed with their husbands, passages will not be provided until the General Officer Commanding Brigade to which the husband is proceeding has certified that accommodation is available.

"Unaccompanied Families," passages will be provided as soon as possible after receipt of the certificates from the General Officer Commanding Brigade that suitable accommodation is available.

The attention of all Commands at Home, Great Britain and Records is drawn to War Office Telegram No. 6215 No. A.G.I., dated the 27th September, regarding the despatch of families to India.

(b) Non-Entitled passengers: A passport is essential; but Director of Movement's visa is no longer necessary. The authority will be addressed by the General Officer Commanding Brigade direct to the Military Permit Office, London, who will communicate with the wife and issue the necessary permit and authority for passport.

The War Office is unable to afford any facilities for indulgence passages, therefore all arrangements for passage must be made and the cost defrayed by the individual concerned.

MESOPOTAMIA.

(a) Entitled families: Passages for the selected families of Officers and other ranks of the British Units proceeding on Relief and Staff and Departmental Officers, Warrant Officers, N.C.O.s and men, who are serving on a recognised tour of duty of which at least twelve months remain to be completed, will be provided in the same vessel as the husband if suitable accommodation is available. Failing this, they will be despatched as "Unaccompanied Families."

Passages will not be provided until the General Officer Commanding has certified that suitable quarters are available. Families before being allowed passages will be required to produce a certificate of medical fitness to proceed.

(Sd.) R. S. MAY,
Director of Movements.

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FROM EUROPE.

The s.s. TALTHYBIUS, due here Dec. 8 and sails for Tsingtau and Japan Dec. 8.

The s.s. NELKUS, due here Dec. 9 and sails for Shanghai and Japan Dec. 10.

The s.s. NINGHOW, due here Dec. 10 and sails for Shanghai and Japan Dec. 10.

The s.s. INABA MARU, left London Nov. 1 and is due here via Suez Dec. 10.

The s.s. BADENIA, due here Dec. 10 and sails for Tsingtau, Shanghai and Japan Dec. 10.

The s.s. HELENER, due here Dec. 10 and sails for Shanghai and Japan Dec. 10.

The s.s. TEIKEN, due here Dec. 10 and sails for Japan Dec. 10.

The s.s. AG. PENOR, due here Dec. 10 and sails for Shanghai and Japan Dec. 10.

The s.s. BELLEPHON, due here Dec. 10 and sails for Tsingtau and Japan Dec. 10.

The s.s. LAOMED, due here Jan. 6 and sails for Japan Jan. 7.

The s.s. KNIGHT OF THE GARTER, due here Jan. 8 and sails for Shanghai and Japan Jan. 7.

The s.s. TELAMON, due here Dec. 25 and sails for Shanghai Dec. 25.

The s.s. DEMODOKUS, due here Jan. 6 and sails for Shanghai and Japan Jan. 7.

The s.s. ANILOCHUS, due here Jan. 13 and sails for Japan Jan. 14.

FROM JAPAN.

The s.s. TOKIWA MARU, left Nagasaki Nov. 29 and is due here via Shanghai Dec. 5.

The s.s. TOTOMI MARU, left Kobe Nov. 29 and is due here via Osaka and Moji Dec. 8.

The s.s. NOVARA, leaves Yokohama Nov. 20 and is due here via Soerabaya and Shanghai Dec. 10.

The s.s. ARABIA, leaves Yokohama Nov. 20 and is due here via Moji Dec. 11.

The s.s. MISHIMA MARU, leaves Yokohama November 28 and is due here via Kobe, Moji and Shanghai December 2.

The s.s. SADO MARU, leaves Yokohama December 18 and is due here via Japan ports and Shanghai December 28.

The s.s. KITANO MARU, leaves Yokohama December 28 and is due here January 8.

The s.s. TEIKESIA, leaves Yokohama Jan. 3 and is due here Jan. 30.

The s.s. TEUCER, leaves Yokohama Dec. 2 and is due here Dec. 17.

The s.s. TYDEUS, leaves Kobe Dec. 29 and is due here Jan. 2.

The s.s. EUBYADES, leaves Yokohama Nov. 20 and is due here Dec. 9.

The s.s. IDOMENEUS, leaves Yokohama Dec. 9 and is due here Dec. 23.

The s.s. VELTUS, leaves Yokohama Dec. 23 and is due here Jan. 6.

FROM SHANGHAI.

The s.s. EUBYADES, leaves Shanghai Dec. 8 and is due here Dec. 10.

The s.s. ARABIA, leaves Shanghai Dec. 17 and is due here about Dec. 22.

The s.s. KNIGHT TEMPLAR, leaves Shanghai Dec. 18 and is due here Dec. 22.

The s.s. ONFA, leaves Shanghai Jan. 17 and is due here Jan. 22.

FROM MANILA.

The s.s. IXION, leaves Manila Jan. 3 and is due here Jan. 5.

FROM AUSTRALIA.

The s.s. NIKKO MARU, left Sydney Nov. 28 and is due here via Manila Dec. 19.

AFTERMATH OF FOCHOW BRAWL.

THE AMERICAN INTERESTS.

A Fochow message, dated Nov. 21, says:

There is no fresh development in the Sino-Japanese-American incident, and Fochow is enjoying peace. There is one Japanese gunboat at Nanchang and another Japanese torpedo-destroyer is expected here from Sasebo shortly for the protection of Japanese interests in Fochow province.

As the buildings and contents of the Young Men's Christian Association are the property of the Americans and not Chinese, it is feared that the incident will lead to a serious diplomatic controversy between the United States and Japan, while China is not accounted an important factor by the Tokyo Government. The Japanese say that the mere wounding and beating of several Chinese students who are the real agitators and instigators of the present anti-Japanese boycott movement is a slight matter, and that a Chinese protest, if the Peking Government dare to deliver one at all, will not carry weight in Tokyo.

This attitude of the Japanese has further enraged the natives in Fochow so that fresh troubles are feared between the radical members of the Japanese "band for the protection of Japanese merchants" and the Chinese students, unless the Sino-Japanese authorities co-operate for the prevention of further disturbances. It is believed that the Americans, for the purpose of maintaining their national prestige in the eyes of the Chinese, will take up the question with Japan shortly. In addition to the presence of the Japanese man-of-war, British, American and French men-of-war are expected at Fochow to-morrow.

The American, Chinese and Japanese authorities are making investigations into the causes of the unfortunate fracas. The wounded Chinese students are lying in the missionary hospital for treatment.

FROM SINGAPORE.

The s.s. DILWARA, left Singapore Nov. 29 and is due here to-day.

The s.s. ASIA MARU, left Singapore Nov. 29 and is due here Dec. 4.

The s.s. FUKANO MARU, left Singapore Nov. 29 and is due here Dec. 5.

FROM AMERICA.

The s.s. FUSHIMI MARU, left Seattle November 8 and is due here via Japan ports, Shanghai and Manila December 4.

The s.s. TENYU MARU, left San Francisco Nov. 7 and is due here via Honolulu, Japan ports, Shanghai and Manila Dec. 10.

The s.s. EQUADOR, left San Francisco Nov. 10 and is due here via Honolulu, Japan ports, Shanghai and Manila December 24.

The s.s. SHINYO MARU, leaves San Francisco December 4 and is due here via Honolulu, Japan ports, Shanghai and Manila January 6.

The s.s. IXION, leaves Seattle Nov. 27 and is due here via Tsingtau, Yokohama, Kobe and Manila Jan. 6.

The s.s. PROTERILAUS, leaves Seattle Dec. 24 and is due here via Tsingtau, Yokohama, Kobe and Manila Feb. 6.

The s.s. TYNDARREUS, leaves Seattle Jan. 29 and is due here via Tsingtau, Yokohama, Kobe and Manila March 5.

GROWING BELIEF IN THE OCCULT.

Mr. George A. Wade in the Daily Mail says—Everywhere there is a great and fast-spreading growth of belief in the occult. It takes various forms in different countries, and, indeed, with different individuals.

Shortly before the armistice a man wrote to the papers stating that his brother, an officer in France, had appeared to his father, who was ill in bed and had much wished to see the son before he died.

The father told the family that same day of the "visit" saying he could now die happy. He died next day, and two or three days later the family received official news that the officer had been killed at the front at a time corresponding almost to a minute with the hour when the father had said his son came to see him!

Hence not only this family, but also many scores of people who know the story, have been led to a strong belief in something in which they did not previously place much credence. I was speaking not long ago to a well-known story-writer, who told me that though he had never hitherto believed in the existence of spirits or ghost-raising—he was now half-way to belief.

He had been to a seance at Preston, in Lancashire, quite unexpectedly, and was unknown to anybody there except to the friend who had persuaded him to attend. Also he was a sceptic, and when asked whom he would like to see he replied, with an incredulous smile, "My mother."

He told me that his mother's spirit appeared and spoke to him, mentioning something which no one but themselves knew.

He was so upset that he has never been to anything of the kind since. But he now firmly believes in the occult.

A Cornish neighbour of mine tells me that around his old home "down west" all the folk have a strong belief in "the calling of the sea" when something serious is about to happen.

He states that in March last year there was a big ground-swell of the sea on the Cornish coast, which made a terrible "call," and that the Cornish people far and near felt sure that some disaster was occurring to those they loved.

Within the next day or so came news of a slaughter and retreat at St. Quentin, in the part of the line where was a large number of Cornish troops.

Naturally, since such curious confirmation of what all had been expecting came so quickly, it has made the superstition spread still more in the county of Cornwall.

A cousin of mine in Leeds always believes that angelic music can come to welcome the dying. He says he knows this is so because, when his own father was dying, he (the son), lying awake in the middle of the night in another room, was suddenly startled to hear most beautiful music as if from afar. He went at once to the sick-room, where his father, with shining eyes, whispered to him, "Willie, the angels have just been here, and they played such sweet music!" Within an hour or so the father died.

All these stories are true. And they explain why the belief in the occult is spreading so rapidly to-day.

HONGKONG STOCK EXCHANGE.

HONGKONG, 3rd DECEMBER, 1919.

OFFICIAL QUOTATIONS.

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Canton Ins. — 410 s.

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Hongkong Fire Ins. — 340 s.

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Do. (Def.) — 247 s.

Shell Transport — 1220 s.

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Raffles Ins. — 135 s.

China Sugar — 135 s.

Malabar Sugar — 144 s.

MINING.

Kallian Mining Adm. — 90/ b.

Langkat — 18 b.

Shanghai Loans — 18 b.

Shai Explorations — 18 b.

Raffles — 18 b.

Tonghai Mines — 35 b.

Ural Caspian — 48/ s.

DOCKS, WHARVES, GODOWNS, &c.

H.A.E. Wharf — 130 s.

H. & W. Docks — 175 s.

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Hongkong Bonds — 115 s.

Humphreys — 18 s.

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Bank Wire — 5/1

On demand — 5/1

30 days sight — 5/1

4 months sight — 5/1

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On New York — 103

On demand — 103

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On Yokohama — 103

On demand — 103

Gold 100 fine (per ton) — 740

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SUBSIDIARY COINS.

Hongkong 10 cents sub. — 32 disc.

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DONG TOY, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, Sept. 15, 1919.

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WEATHER REPORT.

December 3d, 1919. No returns from Vladivostok, Shanghai, Japan or Indo-China. Pressure has decreased considerably over China, and slightly at other reporting stations.

The anticyclone has moved eastward and now probably covers E. Japan. Fresh to moderate monsoon may be expected over the China Sea. It is interrupted along the east coast of China.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inch. Total since January 1st, 75.90 inches. Against an average of 85.03 inches.

Forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon on December 4th.

1.—Hongkong to Gap Rock. N.E. winds moderate; fair.
2.—Formosa Channel. The same as No. 1.
3.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Lantau. The same as No. 1.
4.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan. The same as No. 1.

ROYAL OBSERVATORY.
HONGKONG, DAILY WEATHER REPORT.

DECEMBER 3, 1919.—a.m.

Station.	Hour.	Barometer at Sea Level.	Temperature.	Humidity.	Wind.	Force.	Weather.
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